



Duvall News

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MAYOR'S MESSAGE

Dear Community Member:

February is the month where city staff and elected officials start planning for the coming year. By the time you read this, the city council will have held its annual retreat where they discuss, strategize and plan for 2008. As part of that, the March edition of the newsletter will be dedicated to the goals, priorities and plans, along with which city council member represent you on the different committees and what these different committees do.

We are putting the finishing touches on a Snoqualmie Valley Regional Trail map. This map will be a great resource for those of us that love the outdoors; showing where to see salmon, where to park and more from Duvall to North Bend. You will be able to pick up a map at different locations within town. Watch future newsletters for more details. This time of year also brings the beginning plans for Duvall Days. The planning committee has already had its first meeting. If you want to participate, please contact Doreen Booth at 425-844-3085. From what I have heard we are looking at another great Duvall Days.

Thanks to the Cedarcrest High School Random Acts of Kindness Club. I want to thank the high school students and their teacher, Peggy Filer, for helping to clean up Main Street a couple of weeks ago. There were 30 kids out working hard to make our downtown look great and they will be at it regularly for the next two years.

This month also brings Valentine's Day. A great way to celebrate is by taking your sweetie out for dinner in one of our local restaurants, pick up some flowers or order a special cake at the local bakery. Personally, for me, I think I will have to do all three of these things.

I have heard from a number of you how you are disappointed with the local cable company Broadstripe. We have been in contact with them to work on improving the service. What would help is hearing from you on what your challenges are. They need to be related to specific service issues, for example, I am promised a specific speed on my internet connection but I am really getting something else. Or I have called them on such and such a day and they did not call back or did not come out until x date to fix the problem. The more specific you can be the better. Please e-mail your concerns to Dianne Nelson, our finance director at dianne.nelson@duvallwa.gov. She is keeping track of the complaints and is in continuing contact with them.

Finally, for the month of February anyone who wishes to meet with me with questions, concerns or just talk, I will be at Tressa's Bakery in the River View Plaza on Saturday, February 16th from 9:00am-10:30am.

Sincerely,
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UTILITY BILLING PAYMENTS ONLINE

You can now view and/or pay your City of Duvall utility bill online! Go to www.duvallwa.gov and follow the link on the front page or go to www.ubpayments.com/duvall. There are no additional fees added when you pay your utility bill online. You can use your Visa or MasterCard.



OPEN YOUR HEART TO HELP BENNY LAGMAY WITH A NEW HEART

On Saturday, February 23rd from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., community members will team up to put on a Benefit Rummage Sale for the Benny Lagmay Fund. Benny Lagmay, the owner of Lei's Restaurant, needs a heart transplant that is not covered by insurance.

How can you help? Donate your clean, working, unused household items to the Benefit Rummage Sale. Donations are needed, please drop them off at the Duvall Church's Family Life Center, 15510 1st Avenue in Duvall from 12:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, February 21st and Friday, February 22nd. Children's clothes up to 4T are welcome in clean, good condition; no other clothing items will be accepted. Furniture will be accepted if it is in good condition.

For more information, call Sherry Carpenter at 425-788-9917. *Join us on February 23rd to raise money for the Lagmay Fund.*

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

February 14th and 28th: City Council Meetings - 7:00 p.m. in the meeting room of the Duvall Fire Station.

February 7th & 21st : Planning Commission Meetings - 7:00 p.m. in the Rose Room at the Duvall Library.

March 28th - 30th : Cascade Community Theatre Presents "The Odd Couple" - More information to come.



City of Duvall offices will be closed for the following holiday:

Monday, February 18th
President's Day



CITY OF DUVALL POLICIES & PROCEDURES FOR SNOW & ICE ROAD CONDITIONS SANDING AND PLOWING STREETS

We have been lucky so far this year (although the kids may not think so) that we have not had much in the way of severe winter weather in Duvall. We have had our share in the past and we still have a way to go before we are into spring. With that in mind, we wanted to review what our policies and procedures are for inclement weather.

As we saw during last year's January storm, if the snow starts to fall at a high rate it may be impossible to remove all of the snow before the cold temperatures quickly turn the snow to ice. Once the streets have become iced over and the majority of snow has been removed, additional plowing is not effective at removing the ice until temperatures rise above freezing. Additionally, the City does not have equipment for chemical de-icing, which is only effective if applied prior to the freezing event and it can also lose its effectiveness once temperatures drop below 20°F on average. We do repeatedly sand to help you keep traction on the roads. Sanding does help on the ice but only lasts about 20 minutes, since it cannot bind to the ice.

Our policy is to clear the major roads and sand as appropriate. The City maintenance department has two snowplows with sanders. First and foremost, we maintain the major streets within City limits. The City has a designated snow route that is advised for drivers during winter conditions. This route is cleared first so that emergency vehicles can safely travel throughout the City. Please log on to www.duvallwa.gov for a map of our snow routes.

The City of Duvall tries to address and respond to every situation, but there are some things that do happen that are beyond our control. Unfortunately, our resources are limited and the City may not be able to immediately respond to all icy road conditions. Please remember to be prepared. If you must drive during these conditions, please consider using chains or snow tires. It is also advised when you drive in these conditions, that you follow the snow routes as much as possible, have a full tank of gas, and wear warm clothes and footwear. Make sure to give yourself plenty of space between vehicles and plenty of time to get to your destination. You never know when you might get stuck and have to wait in the cold for assistance.

Please feel free to contact us with additional questions or solutions you may have.

Steven J. Leniszewski, PE, Public Works Director / City Engineer: 425-788-3434 or email steven.leniszewski@duvallwa.gov

DUVALL FARMERS MARKET SUCCESS

Duvall Farmers Market celebrated its second year with great growth. Here are some facts from the 2007 market season:

- Reported sales for vendors was \$34,527 in a 16 week season, an increase of \$10,236 from 2006.
- Between 300 people and 400+ people attended each market day.
- The children's activity booth was staffed by volunteers from local schools, businesses and organizations from the community.
- There were 3,600 total hours of volunteer time at the weekly market.

The Washington State Farmers Market Association says that, "Buying fresh, locally grown produce at your local Farmers Markets guarantees you are getting the freshest produce available in your neighborhood. It's also good for the local economy by sustaining our local farmers and their farmlands."

Remember to support the Duvall Farmers Market and small farmers next year! For more information, email, duvallfarmersmarket@msn.com. Thank you for your support. The market would not be here without you!

SAVE THE DATES FOR THESE TWO FAMILY EVENTS

Presented by Duvall Cultural Commission &
Cascade Performing Arts Council

Take advantage of our family-friendly pricing - \$5 for singles and \$15 for families.

THE TALLBOYS OLD-TIME STRING BAND & COMMUNITY BARN DANCE

When: Saturday, March 1, 2008

Free clogging workshop 5:00-6:00 p.m.

Duvall's own Budget Funeral Band 6:00-7:00 p.m.

The Tall Boys concert 7:15-8:00 p.m.

Participatory square dance with The Tall Boys and caller Tony Mates 8:00-9:30 p.m.

Where: Cherry Valley Elementary School Multi-Purpose Room
27601 NE Cherry Valley Rd., Duvall, WA 98019

Ticket Outlets: Duvall City Hall, Duvall Books, Cherry Valley Veterinary Hospital, Cherry Valley PTA, or at the door.

LELAVISION – PHYSICAL MUSIC

When: Friday, March 14, 2008 ~ 7:30 p.m.

Where: Cedarcrest High School Performing Arts Center
29000 NE 150th St., Duvall, WA 98019

Ticket Outlets: Duvall City Hall, Duvall Books, Cherry Valley Veterinary Hospital, www.brownpapertickets.com/event/27597 or at the door.

Using sculpture, music, and movement to develop themes based on myth, nature, and spirit. For more information, visit www.lelavision.com.

Information on both events: 425-788-2983 or www.duvallwa.gov